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: Ronald Eyre

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Commissioner:

Enclosed is an amendment to the above-identified application.

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	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Paid For	Number Extra Claims	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	FEE
Total Claims Fee	31	*24	7	x \$9.00	7 x \$18.00	\$126.00
Independent Claims	8	** 6	2	x \$43.00	2 x \$86.00	\$172.00
Multiple Dependent Claims ***				\$145.00	\$290.00	\$0.00
TOTAL FILING FEE						\$298.00
NO ADDITIONAL FEE REQUIRED ****	IF NO FEE REQUIRED, INSERT "0"					\$298.00

LIST INDEPENDENT CLAIMS: 9, 16, 26, 27, 28, 29, 40 and 41

- * IF HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR IS 20 OR LESS, WRITE "20" IN COLUMN 3
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- *** PAY THIS FEE ONLY WHEN MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS ARE ADDED FOR THE FIRST TIME **** IF NO FEE REQUIRED, ADDRESS ENVELOPE TO "BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENTS"

X	Attached is our check for \$\$298.00 to pay the fees calculated above.
	A Petition for Extension of Time and the required fee are enclosed.
	Other enclosures:



The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by or to give effect to this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. A copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

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Commissioner:

In response to the Office Action of November 3, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 12 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.

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